

REMARKS

Claims 1 and 3 to 9 are pending in this application of which claim 1 is the independent claim. Favorable reconsideration and further examination are respectfully requested.

Applicants acknowledge the Examiner's indication that claims 2 to 7 would be allowable if written in independent form to include the base claim. Accordingly Applicant has amended claim 1 to include the features of claim 2. Applicant submits that all dependent claims now depend on allowable independent claims.

It is believed that all of the pending claims have been addressed. However, the absence of a reply to a specific rejection, issue or comment does not signify agreement with or concession of that rejection, issue or comment. In addition, because the arguments made above may not be exhaustive, there may be reasons for patentability of any or all pending claims (or other claims) that have not been expressed. Finally, nothing in this paper should be construed as intent to concede any issue with regard to any claim, except as specifically stated in this paper, and the amendment of any claim does not necessarily signify concession of unpatentability of the claim prior to its amendment.

Applicant submits that the entire application is now in condition for allowance. Such action is respectfully requested at the Examiner's earliest convenience.

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No fee is believed to be due for this Response; however, if any fees are due, please apply such fees to Deposit Account No. 20-0515 referencing Attorney Docket 1765-US.

Respectfully submitted,

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